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In re Application of: Jerry E. Mann

Serial No.: 08/843,162

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Examiner: Chin Shue, A.

For:

APPARATUS FOR A RECLINING AND

Attorney Docket No. 515-001

RETRACTABLE SLING SEAT FOR A

PORTABLE TREE STAND

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL

SIR:

Submitted herewith is:

- Petition to Make Special Because of Applicant's Age; and 1.
- 2. Declaration of Applicant's Age (executed).

Respectfully submitted.

Date: March 18, 2005

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Attention: Group Director of Group 3634.

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE

SIR:

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because applicant is over 65 years of age. As a showing of this fact, accompanying this petition is:

- □ applicant's birth certificate; or
- a declaration by the applicant that he/she is over 65 years of age.

No fee is required with this petition in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.102(c).

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I, Jerry E. Mann, am the inventor of the above-identified application and hereby declare that I was born on August 28 1938, and therefore, I am 65 years of age.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

02/21/05 Date

Signature